

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/580,878
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REMARKS

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed July 31, 2008, in which the Examiner advised that claims 1-60 are subject to a requirement of election under 35 U.S.C. § 121. By this paper, the Applicants elect without traverse Group 1, which includes claims 1-27, and request that claims 28-60 be withdrawn. The Applicants reserve the right to file one or more of the withdrawn claims in one or more future applications.

Please contact the undersigned attorney in the event that any remaining impediment to the prompt allowance of this application is found that could be clarified or resolved by a telephonic interview or by means of an Examiner's Amendment.

DATED this 2nd day of September, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

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